Abbreviations and Nomenclature

BL     British Library, London
LAC    Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa
NLA    National Library of Australia, Canberra
NLI    National Library of Ireland, Dublin
NRO    Norfolk Record Office, Norwich
RGS    Royal Geographical Society, London
RL     Rubenstein Library, North Carolina
SPRI   Scott Polar Research Institute, University of Cambridge
TNA    The National Archives, London
TPL    Toronto Public Library

The place names of the Arctic Regions that appear in historical records are generally different from those that are used today. In order to retain historical accuracy, when quoting from primary sources, I have retained peculiarities of spelling and used the historical place names given to the inlets, islands, and settlements of the Arctic by European explorers. Where possible, I have given the Indigenous or official name to settlements in parentheses. The word *Esquimaux* was commonly used in the nineteenth century to describe the Indigenous people of Greenland, Arctic Canada, and coastal Alaska. *Tuski* was used to refer to the Chukchi on the west side of the Bering Strait. Throughout this book, barring quotations, the Indigenous peoples of the Arctic are referred to as *Chukchi* (north-eastern Russia), *Yup’ik* and *Deg Hit’an* (western Alaska), *Iñupiat* (northern and western Alaska), *Gwich’in* (north-eastern Alaska and Gwich’in Settlement Area, Canada), *Inuvialuit* (Inuvialuit Settlement Region, Canada), *Inughuit* (north-western Greenland), and *Inuit* (Nunavut, Canada and Greenland). The term *Inuit* is also sometimes used to refer to *Iñupiat* and *Inuvialuit*, in accordance with the charter.
of the Inuit Circumpolar Council. As the term *Inuit* means ‘the people’, it is never prefaced with ‘the’. In keeping with the linguistic recommendation from Government of Canada’s Translation Bureau, *Inuk* is used as the singular noun, and *Inuit* is the plural noun and the adjective.